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Ex-Spy freed by murders probe

A former British agent who spied on the IRA has been released without charge after being questioned about two murders in Northern Ireland.

By: Press Association

The 46-year-old from Newry, Co Down, who uses the pseudonym Kevin Fulton, had been questioned since last Wednesday about the 1990 murders.

He was detained in east London and flown to Belfast to be interrogated about the murders of Eoin Morley and Ranger Cyril Smith.

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Detectives decided to question him after details of the murders were revealed in a new book which claimed Fulton worked undercover as an army agent within the Provisional IRA at the height of their terrorist campaign.

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Fulton has been living away from Northern Ireland for several years after claiming he was ditched by his former military handlers.

He is currently seeking High Court compensation after alleging the army reneged on a deal to pay him.

He was quizzed about the murders of:

: Eoin Morley, 23, an ex-IRA man who joined a republican splinter group and who was dragged from his girlfriend's home in Newry in April 1990 and shot in a so-called punishment attack that apparently went wrong. His mother claimed he was the victim of an IRA vendetta against her late husband Davy, which went back to the time he was an IRA leader in the Maze Prison over 20 years previously.

:: Royal Irish Ranger Cyril Smith, 21, who was killed by an IRA bomb six months after Morley. He was blown up as he ran to alert other soldiers at a permanent vehicle checkpoint on the main Belfast-Dublin road close to the border outside Newry.

The Police Service of Northern Ireland said the man arrested in South East England last Wednesday had been released without charge.

They did not say whether he had been taken back to England or left to make his own way home.

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